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**REQUEST  
FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/410,368
Filing Date	September 30, 1999
First Named Inventor	John R. Havens et al.
Group Are Unit	1631 #14
Examiner Name	A. Marschel
Attorney Docket Number	244/006

This is a Request for continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective May 29, 2000. If the above-identified was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patented term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on  
Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☒ Enclosed 04/23/2002 AMONDAF1 00000116 09410368
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply 01 FC:279 370.00 OP
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declarations(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 12-2475
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (three months); if any extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefore.
- iii. ☐ Other: Any fee under \$1.15 or
- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$ 830.00 enclosed
- c. ☐ Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

Name (Print/Type)	Patrick S. Eagleman	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	44,665
Signature		Date	April 19, 2002

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION**

I certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as 'Express Mail - Post Office to Addressee' in an envelope addressed to Commissioner For Patents, Box RCE, Washington, DC 20231, on the date shown below using Express Mail Label No. EV 051650420US.

Name (Print/Type)	Adriana Mojarro	Date	April 19, 2002
Signature			